

## HiAP 2010 Public Workshops Summary and Participants

As outlined in Executive Order S-04-10, public workshops were held to solicit input from stakeholders on recommended programs, policies, and strategies to be included in the report to the Strategic Growth Council (SGC). Three community workshops were held during the first two weeks of September in Los Angeles, Fresno, and Oakland. Outreach materials were targeted to organizations and individuals already working in policy areas that impact health. The Los Angeles and Fresno workshops averaged 30 participants each and the Oakland workshop had approximately 70 participants. Participants included representatives from local health departments, public health advocacy organizations, academic institutions, health care organizations, and other government and non-government organizations representing fire, forestry, housing, environmental justice and quality, nutrition, redevelopment, and planning. HiAP staff worked with a professional facilitator to develop an agenda that would guide participants to provide constructive, solution-oriented input. All recommendations received during the three workshops were incorporated into the master recommendation list.

### The workshop agenda included:

- Introductions
- Attributes of a healthy community
- Sharing best practices regarding working with government
- “If only” recommendations for State action
- What will it take?: who and how to implement recommendations

### Workshop Themes

Several themes were raised across all workshops:

- Access to produce and other fresh, quality food
- Farm-to-institution programs and policies (schools and others)
- Healthy transportation (walkability, bicycle lanes)
- Public transportation to parks and essential destinations
- Embedding health as a consideration in policy-making processes
- Government engagement of community members in decision-making processes
- Collaboration
- Enthusiastic participants wanted more time to provide input and work on recommendations

#### *Los Angeles (Tuesday, Sept. 7th, 1pm-4pm; The California Endowment)*

- Healthy housing – integrated pest management and lead exposure concerns
- Equity – funding for pedestrians and transit, language access, aesthetic design components, access to clean air, park distribution
- Joint use of facilities

#### *Fresno (Wednesday, Sept. 8th, 1pm-4pm; Fresno County Central Library)*

- Rural areas are different than urban and suburban regions
- The Central Valley would like to be heard
- Pesticide use and exposure
- Water supply and access
- Equitable resource distribution to the Central Valley

*Oakland (Thursday, Sept. 16th, 1:30pm-4:30pm; Alameda County Public Health Department)*

- Political climate influences health – i.e., budget process, ballot initiatives, political will
- Equity – good data is required to highlight areas of need
- Community engagement is essential
- Economics/poverty and health

### **What State Government Can Do**

The best practices section of the agenda offered participants an opportunity to share positive experiences they had working with State governments. Several themes arose from these discussions regarding State government opportunities and roles:

- Provide leadership
- Foster multi/interdisciplinary approaches through collaboration across agencies and sectors and between local and state agencies
- Leverage federal money
- Funnel money through grants and contracts that maintain flexibility
- Target communities in need through funding earmarks and grant criteria
- Promote capacity building for local agencies and community-based organizations through training and technical assistance
- Create model programs and best practices for others to draw upon
- Create and disseminate guidance documents and materials
- Collect, analyze, and disseminate sufficiently detailed data (including community level data)
- Create and support opportunities for connection and support across jurisdictions
- Provide and support opportunities for early participation in program development and policy-making

## Organizations in Attendance at the 2010 HiAP Public Workshops

- American Heart Association
- Alameda County Community Food Bank
- Alameda County Public Health Department
- Alliance for a Better Community
- Asian Health Services
- Asian Pacific American Legal Center
- Bay Area Regional Health Inequities Initiative (BARHII)
- CAL FIRE
- California Center for Public Health Advocacy
- California Department of Health and Human Services
- California Department of Justice
- California Department of Housing & Community Development
- California Housing Partnership
- California Pan-Ethnic Health Network
- California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
- California WALKS
- Californians for Pesticide Reform
- CDPH Tobacco Control
- Central California Regional Obesity Prevention Program
- Central Valley Health Network
- Central Valley Health Policy Institute
- Ceres Partnership for Healthy Children
- Child & Family Policy Institute of California
- City Slicker Farms
- Community Health Improvement Partners
- County of Fresno Environmental Health Division
- County of Riverside
- County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency
- Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
- Downtown and Community Revitalization Department, City of Fresno
- Environmental Health Investigations Branch
- Environmental Health Services, Kern County
- Fresno County Department of Public Health
- Fresno Metro Ministry
- Fresno-Madera Medical Society
- Governor's Office of Planning and Research
- Greenlining Institute
- Healthy Homes Collaborative
- Human Impact Partners
- Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council
- Latino Health Access
- Legal Services of Northern California
- Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
- Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
- Madera Community Action Partnership
- Madera Public Health Department
- Mandela Marketplace
- Natural Resources Agency
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Nature Conservancy
- Nutrition and Physical Activity Collaborative
- PALS for Health and Access to Linguistically Appropriate Services
- Pesticide Watch
- PolicyLink
- Prevention Institute
- Public Advocates Inc.
- Public Health Law & Policy
- Public Policy Institute of California
- Rails to Trails Conservancy
- Regional Asthma Management and Prevention
- Roots of Change
- Safe Routes National Partnership
- Samuels & Associates
- San Francisco Department of Public Health
- San Francisco County Transportation Authority

- San Mateo County
- San Mateo County Health System
- Santa Cruz County
- Shape Up San Francisco
- Sonoma County Asthma Coalition/American Lung Association
- The California Conference for Equality and Justice
- The City Project
- Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.
- TreeTOPs
- Tulare County Redevelopment
- University of California, Los Angeles
- Urban Habitat
- Urban Strategies Council
- West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project